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A recording apparatus and method such that when a preprogrammed recording is set, a recording medium to be used for the preprogrammed recording is specified using an identifier. In a case where the recording medium with the specified identifier is not attached to the <u>a</u> drive unit when a content is to be recorded, the content is recorded onto a relief recording medium. If the recording medium with the specified identifier is attached to the drive unit after the content has already been recorded onto the relief recording medium, the content is dubbed onto the recording medium with the specified identifier.